### REQUEST FOR INFORMATION (RFI) – OCCUPATIONAL MEDICAL SERVICES

The purpose of this RFI notice is two-fold: to identify potential vendors capable of meeting the requirements and performing the tasks listed in the Statement of Works; and to solicit frank industry feedback regarding the approach to this requirement to improve the quality of the draft Statement of Work and other documents related to this effort.

This RFI synopsis is for planning purposes only and is NOT to be construed as a commitment by the Battelle or the Pacific Northwest National Lab. No reimbursement will be made for any costs associated with providing information in response to this Notice. At this time, no solicitation exists. Submit all responses to this notice to the point of contact identified below by e-mail.

Please review the statement of work and respond to the attached questions by October 1, 2008.

## Scope of Work for Occupational Medical Services

#### General Description of Services

Provide a comprehensive occupational medical program to staff at a US Department of Energy national laboratory. The laboratory conducts a wide variety of research and has approximately 4000 employees. The laboratory is located in Richland, Washington.

The purpose of the Occupational Medical Program is to prevent occupational disease and maintain a healthy workforce. The Occupational Medical Program seeks to provide medical monitoring and surveillance to identify work-related conditions at an early stage when treatment can be beneficial, and when workplace modifications may prevent illness or injury; to provide prompt medical care for work-related illnesses and injuries; and to expedite the return of injured or ill employees to work. The Occupational Medical Program includes services of both a preventive and treatment-based nature, delivered via a graded approach with the level of care commensurate with the level of workplace hazard and exposures.

The occupational medical contractor serves as a direct care provider for staff in the Richland, Washington area, and as a coordinator of care for services provided to staff located outside the Richland, Washington, area.

# Applicable Documents

All work shall be performed in accordance with the following regulations and guidelines:

a) 10 CFR 851, Worker Safety and Health Program

- b) 29 CFR 1910, Occupational Safety and Health Standards
- c) WAC Title 296, General Occupational Health Standards

#### Services to be Provided

First aid services

Evaluation and treatment of occupational illnesses and injury

Limited-scope physical therapy and work conditioning to facilitate return-to-work

Limited-scope evaluation and treatment of minor non-occupational illnesses and injuries, to minimize time away from work for staff, with referrals as appropriate

Medical surveillance and medical qualification examinations

Diagnostic evaluations to determine work-relatedness, the applicability of medical restrictions, and referral for further care.

Case management services to monitor and coordinate rehabilitation and returnto-work for occupational illnesses and injuries and some non-occupational illnesses and injuries

Return-to-work evaluations for employees with medical absences of five or more days

Fitness for duty evaluations as required by law or when requested by management

Examinations upon beginning and end of employment, as appropriate

Immunization services and Bloodborne pathogens program

Certified Medical Review Officer Services

Wellness and health education services

Oversight of contracted employee assistance program

Medical records maintenance and coordination of medical record transfer to governmental agencies or contractors for permanent record storage.

Participation in emergency response planning.

# **Contractor Qualifications**

The contractor shall ensure that examinations are conducted under the direction of physicians licensed to practice medicine in the State of Washington. A physician who is board-certified in the practice of occupational medicine shall oversee the program and be available for consultation.

<b>Attachment</b>	$\mathbf{A}$			
<b>Questions</b> –	RFI - Occup	pational	Health :	Services

occupational health services?

Questions – RFI – Occupational Health Services			
•	Please describe your general approach to providing services:		
•	Please describe your experience providing occupational medical services:		
•	Please describe any specific experience providing occupational medical services to laboratory employees:		
•	Please describe any specific experience providing services to Union employees:		

Please provide your response to Veronica Wise, Contract Specialist via email at veronica.wise@pnl.gov.

• What would be the primary motivator/interest for your firm to bid on our